

# Nuclear Regulatory Commission Waste Incidental to Reprocessing Activities at the Savannah River Site

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# Introduction Common Phrases

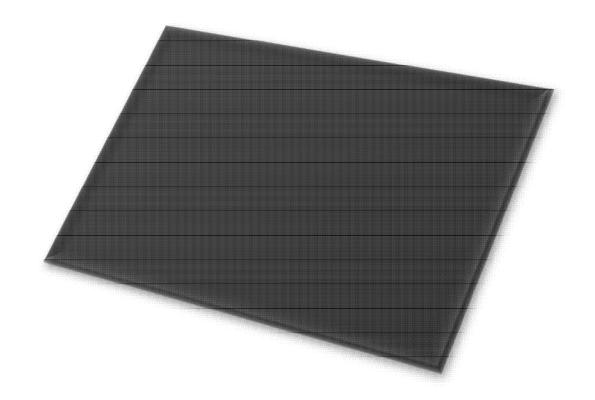
- NDAA Consultation and Monitoring
- Scoping
- Performance Assessment (PA)
- Waste Determination (WD)
- Technical Evaluation Report (TER)
- Observation



#### Overview

#### NRC NDAA Activities at the Savannah River Site

- Saltstone Facility
- F-Tank Farm
- H-Tank Farm
- Future Plans





2009 NDAA Monitoring

#### Calendar Year 2009 Activities

- Completed 3 onsite observations
- Completed 6 technical reviews
- Began review of 2009 Saltstone Performance Assessment (PA)

#### Results

- Started Year with 2 Open Issues
- Identified One New Open Issue



Recent NDAA Monitoring Activities

- Calendar Year 2010 Activities
  - February 2010
  - April 2010
  - July 2010 (occurring tomorrow)
- Continuing review of 2009 Saltstone PA
  - Review documented in a publicly available Technical Evaluation Report



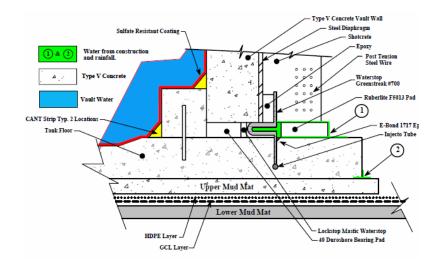
Recent NDAA Monitoring Activities (cont.)

- Hydro-test performed on cells
  - Damp spots observed on outside of cells
  - Red fluorescent dye added and pink and/or fluorescent spots were observed
- NRC staff is monitoring effect on vault performance assumptions in the performance assessment



#### Recent NDAA Monitoring Activities (cont.)











NRC Review of 2009 Saltstone PA

- NRC issued a Request for Additional Information (RAI) in April 2010
  - Hydrologic properties of saltstone wasteform and vaults
  - Oxidation state of Tc in the saltstone
  - Degradation mechanisms of the saltstone and vaults
- Response from DOE expected in August 2010
- NRC review to be completed by November 2010



#### F-Tank Farm

NRC Consultation Activities

#### DOE Draft Performance Assessment

- NRC Staff reviewed PA in 2008 and provided comments
  - Major themes: Lack of support for key modeling assumptions, conceptual models, and uncertainty analysis parameters
- Revised DOE PA submitted to NRC in May 2010
- NRC begin review of DOE PA in September 2010



### F-Tank Farm

NRC Consultation Activities

#### DOE Draft Waste Determination

- Public scoping meeting on July 13-14, 2010
- DOE submits its WD in October 2010
- NRC submits RAI in December 2010
- NRC's Final TER approximately May 2011



#### H-Tank Farm

NRC Consultation Activities

## Scoping Process

- Meeting with NRC/DOE/EPA/SCDHEC meeting held April 2010
- Only items unique to H-Tank Farm covered (e.g., several H-farm tanks are submerged in the aquifer)
- Performance Assessment
  - To be submitted to NRC around 3<sup>rd</sup> Qtr 2011



#### **Future Plans**

NRC NDAA Activities at the Savannah River Site

- Continued NRC interaction with CAB
- Conduct an NRC/DOE Lessons Learned Public Meeting
- Update the NRC monitoring plan and other activities for Saltstone
- Participation in consultation activities as for F and H Tank Farms, as needed